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**MESSAGE:****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Baiju D. MANDALIA

**Serial No.:** 09/538,431

**For:** *METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CENTRALIZED INFORMATION  
STORAGE RETRIEVAL AND SEARCHING*

**Enclosed are the following:**

Transmittal letter (1 pg.); Response and Amendment (18 pgs.); and 37 C.F.R.  
1.132 Affidavit for Inoperability of References under MPEP §716.07 (5 pgs.)

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☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.132 Affidavit for Inoperability of References under MPEP §716.07.

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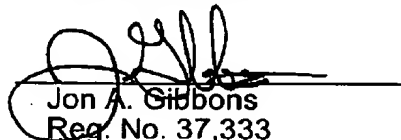
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